



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, S. Watson Tidball of Greenville will celebrate his  
3 80th birthday on July 7, 2005; and

4 WHEREAS, He has been and active citizen of Greenville and  
5 Bond County since 1947 when he came from Canada to Greenville  
6 as a student at Greenville College; and

7 WHEREAS, Dr. Tidball has been involved in the Chamber of  
8 Commerce, Commercial Club, the City Planning Commission, and  
9 has devoted hours of community service to the Bond County  
10 Senior Center, serving as secretary for a number of years; he  
11 has served as Master of Ceremonies for the Bond County Fair  
12 Beauty Pageant, entertained church and civic groups with his  
13 music and comedy routine, and has given travelogues of his many  
14 trips throughout the world; and

15 WHEREAS, He and his wife, Bonnie, have been tour guides for  
16 many local citizens on worldwide trips; he is a frequent Master  
17 of Ceremonies at Fair Oaks Nursing Home events and regularly  
18 visits the "elderly" in nursing homes in Greenville; he is a  
19 1997 recipient of the Gerald Turley Memorial Award given by the  
20 Chamber of Commerce, and he received an honorary Doctorate of  
21 Public Service from Greenville College; he has been involved in  
22 countless other organizations and events too numerous to name;  
23 and

24 WHEREAS, All six of the Tidball children attended Bond  
25 County Community Unit #2 schools from kindergarten through high  
26 school and all graduated from Greenville College; and

27 WHEREAS, In addition to his work at Greenville College, Dr.  
28 Tidball has worked at the Donnell-Weigand Funeral Home for over  
29 50 years as their accountant; he provides income tax services  
30 for a number of Greenville residents; he has assisted numerous

1 elderly, single, and widowed persons in understanding their  
2 financial concerns; he provides "taxi" service for many people  
3 who need rides to the airport as well as to hospitals and  
4 doctor appointments in St. Louis and other cities; and

5 WHEREAS, He is also actively involved in his church; he has  
6 been a bell-ringer for the Salvation Army at Christmas time,  
7 and supported many fund raisers such as the fish fries at St.  
8 Lawrence Catholic Church, the pancake breakfasts for the  
9 Kiwanis, chili suppers for the Boy Scouts, and he made apple  
10 butter for the Hospital Bazaar; he is a regular volunteer at  
11 the office of Illinois State Senator Frank Watson; therefore,  
12 be it

13 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
14 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
15 we congratulate Dr. Watson Tidball on the occasion of his 80th  
16 birthday, and we thank him for his numerous contributions to  
17 his community; and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
19 presented to Dr. Watson as an expression of our respect and  
20 esteem and with best wishes for many more happy birthdays.